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THE SILENT GUNMAN

THE arrest in Schenectady of a man having in his possession a pistol fitted with a Maxim silencer sets one wondering why inventive genius should be perverted to the construction of such anti-social devices. Such an instrument is a premium upon crime, and of no value to the nation as a means of defense, says the San Francisco Chronicle.

If the inventor can disprove this latter statement then he will only have established a reason for making the possession by private persons of a gun silencer an offense carrying a very severe penalty. It is an exasperating anomaly of our laws that while every care is taken to protect the demented individual against himself, practically no steps are taken to prevent the criminal's attacks upon society. We have a very elaborate, a much too elaborate and therefore, cumbersome system of punishing the offender when caught, but we have yet to learn that an ounce of prevention is worth a ton of punishment.

The principle upon which individuals are permitted to fit themselves out with the fatally ready revolver is a confused idea as to personal liberty. In reality, it is a flat negation of that principle of liberty which forbids such action as interferes with the freedom of others. But, bad as is the ready revolver, the private sale of silencers in a criminal aggravation of the offense. They are no protection to the honest citizen defending his home against the intrusion of a burglar, while they are undoubtedly an assistance to the thug whose immoral courage is not a question of the dastardliness of the crime, but of the fear of detection. Silencers are an encouragement to the criminal.

WHEN THE CAMP IS NEW

ELSEWHERE in this issue is a clipping from an Oatman, Arizona, paper which contains these lines: "Miss Thompson has been a resident of Oatman for the past two months and has been a leader in the social life of the camp." Incidentally Miss Thompson is no longer Miss Thompson. An attorney from Nevada, who in equally brief time organized and became the president of the chamber of commerce, has claimed her as his bride.

The foregoing simply illustrates the rapidity with which things move in a new mining camp out west. They come. They start chambers of commerce. They lead the smart set in society. They meet, they court, they marry, and all within the space of two moons.

Such things couldn't happen back where you and I were born. There a man must have possessed a grandfather and a woman must produce the record in the family Bible before they would be considered even as a working member of a chamber of commerce or permitted to sit on the outer fringe of society. All of which goes to show that the Rev. Jasper should have amended his remarks to make them read: "The west do move."

VOCABULARY IS ITS STRONG SUIT

CARRYING the war into America is not considered by the people of this hemisphere as a friendly act and the last straw may soon be laid upon the camel's back. The tragedy last night at Ottawa was, if it really were the result of planting an infernal machine, committed in a land that, even if not belligerent, is attached to one of the warring nations.

So long as these atrocities are committed in the countries at war or in their colonies, there is comparatively little need for heeding their import, but when nations absolutely neutral and unbiased suffer, then there certainly should be heavy reprisals. The exploding of a bomb in the capitol building at Washington, the destruction of an international bridge, the murderous assault upon J. P. Morgan, the plot to blow up the Wellman canal, the scores of fires that have been started in munition factories, the publication in this country of seditious newspapers—these are acts that cannot be accepted as friendly ones, nor would they remain unreprimed if this country possessed an administration with a backbone instead of a mere vocabulary.

NATIONAL LIFE AT STAKE

ONE of the saddest features of the world war is not the terrible loss of life and destruction of property, but the possibility that certain of the smaller nations of Europe will lose their individuality. When Alsace and Lorraine were wrenched from France the people lost their oldtime fervor and ambition.

So may it be with Serbia, Belgium and other kingdoms that have been devastated and their people put to flight. An individual may be replaced, destroyed property may be rebuilt, but the fabric of a nation, when once obliterated, is almost hopelessly lost.

RENO IS THE PLACE, 14TH THE TIME

THE meeting of the Nevada State Editorial association, which is to be held at Reno on the 14th of February, promises to be the most important session ever held by that body. It behooves all editors, managers and publishers in the state, whether as yet affiliated with the organization or not, to be present. This is an election year and it is important that the brethren of the press consider men and issues and take a firm and decided stand, for not merely their own interests, but for the interests of the people of Nevada, who support them and whom they serve.

ECHO FROM THE DARK AGES

SECRETARY DANIELS is "strong" for preparedness, but he wants it built on the old school plan, battleships and such stuff that are going into the discard. The mere fact that he yesterday put his stamp of disapproval upon the appropriation for anti-aircraft guns evidences his crustacean ideas. Modernize the army and navy departments and it will be possible to modernize the army and the navy.

CLIPPED AND CREDITED

A flag for the vice-president is again suggested. He isn't going so fast that he needs to be flagged, is he?—Minneapolis Journal.

It can at least be said to the credit of Colonel House that he has learned the art of keeping his eyes and ears open and his mouth closed.—Springfield Union.

It is now officially announced that there will be a giant drive by the allies in the spring. Wonder if this is the same drive that started last spring?—Los Angeles Times.

A Tennessee man used a lighted match to look for a mouse behind a powder can. Usually that kind also uses lighted matches when looking for a gas leak.—Indianapolis Star.

A New York woman has testified that she has known her husband to make as much as \$10,000 in a single night playing bridge whist. Evidently when he played there was more than one dummy at the table.—Detroit Free Press.

A Carranza guarantee of safety means "Travel at your own risk."—Toronto Telegram.

The Supreme Court of New York City has held that "a man's home is where his wife is." Would the decision include shopping tours?—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Bits About Beasts.

You think you know something about animals, eh? Well, let us put your knowledge to a few simple tests.

Frogs, to begin with. Can they breathe with their mouths shut? Certainly they can. As a matter of fact, they always do. If they kept their mouths open they would suffocate.

Next, hares. When do they close their eyes? Answer, never. You see, they haven't any eyelids, so they can't. But they have a thin membrane, which performs the service of eyelids when they are asleep.

What is the color of a horse's eyebrows? That's a difficult one. Think hard and then learn that a horse hasn't any eyebrows.

You may like to know, in addition, that turtles and tortoises have no teeth; that parrots, unlike the majority of birds, can move both mandibles of their beaks, and that fishes never masticate. They simply haven't time between breaths.—London Answers.

More Rope.

In July, 1836, General William Henry Harrison, who had been spoken of as a candidate for president, visited Philadelphia. Many of his political friends were at the steamboat wharf to meet and escort him to his hotel. He was placed in a four horse carriage, but after proceeding a short distance the horses became unmanageable and had to be taken out of the harness. The people began to draw the carriage, and there was a call for ropes. They were soon procured, but proved too short, and as the enthusiasm increased the cry arose, "More ropes!" and still more ropes. The Democrats saw only the funny side of the case and adopted "more ropes" as a ridiculing slogan. It did not last long and could not have hurt Harrison much, for four years later he was elected president.—Philadelphia Press.

Checkers.

The German name for the game of checkers or draughts is "damenbrett"—ladies' board—probably "dame" for short. Some form of "dame" is used in almost every country where the game is played, except the English speaking countries, and the Scots still speak of the "dambred." "Dames" was the name in England for a time, and we find it in an English book toward the end of Elizabeth's reign. The first use of the word draughts in existing literature is about 1400. At a later day "checkers" became another name, and this went to America with the early English emigrants and there became the usual name. In England in the sixteenth century the game had three names—"dames," "draughts" and "checkers." At an earlier period "heckerie," "chekar," etc., had been English names for chess.—London Mirror.

Snails Are Queer Creatures.

The snail is found everywhere, over 2,000 species being known. Some of the large tropical snails, as bullsnails, form nests of leaves, their eggs being as large as a pigeon's. The snail is extremely skillful in mending its shell, and some curious experiments may be made with them. Thus I have seen a helix of a yellow species attached to another shell of a reddish hue by cutting off the top whorl of the latter, when the snail will proceed to weld the two shells together and occupy both, using the addition as a door and possibly wondering at this sudden extension of its house. In the winter some of the snails hibernate or lie dormant until warm weather. A snail of the Philippine Islands has a faculty of throwing off its tail when seized. This is also true of a West Indian variety, stenophus.—London Telegraph.

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